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1. The twenty-four members of the Trotskyite Branch of the Communist Party in Ecuador have agreed to dissolve the Branch, as such, and to take an active part in promoting the cause of Stalinism. They believe that as long as they maintain an affiliation with the Trotskyite Party, they will be able to contribute very little towards the materialization of World Socialism. With the progress of Stalinism in the world, the local Trotskyites feel they should support this cause even though it is in variance with their own ideals.
2. One Trotskyite expressed his feelings by stating that "Stalinism is not right, but since it contributes to the Socialization of Czechoslovakia, it is at least a factor of progress and deserves to be supported." Most of the local members of the Branch are Czechoslovaks and, as a result of recent happenings in their homeland, they feel they should join forces with the Communist element of the local Czech colony.
3. The leader of the local Branch, Dr. Homer Brett, together with several other members, declined to support the Stalinism movement, although it was agreed that it was futile for the Branch to continue as it is. Brett and his followers intend to remain inactive in political activities. As a consequence, all foreign connections and correspondence with Trotskyite branches have been discontinued in Ecuador and the Ecuadoran Branch, as such, has ceased to exist.

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